

Abstract Of The Disclosure

An arrangement is provided in which not only accounting of a print fee depending on the number of copies of print data, or the like, but also accounting of an information fee depending on the contents, values, or the like of information to be provided to users are executable. According to the arrangement, an accounting section of a contents server charges a user requesting printout of print data for an information fee relating to the print data, and an accounting section of a document server charges the user for a print fee depending on the number of copies of the print data, whereby the information fee and the print fee are chargeable by the contents server and the document server independently of each other.